

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are currently pending and will remain pending after entry of this Response.

35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

The Office Action rejects claims 1-4 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 5,212,368 to Hara (hereinafter "Hara").

Applicants respectfully assert that claims 1-4 are not anticipated by Hara because Hara does not disclose changing a content of attack control information when specific conditions corresponding to character identification information and attack content identification information are satisfied as recited in independent claim 1.

The Office Action alleges that this feature of the invention is disclosed at column 6, line 7-14 of Hara, which state, in part, "The calculation unit changes the game parameter data for either player in accordance with the condition amount included within the game parameter data of the condition card."

This passage, as well as the rest of Hara, is silent regarding both a change of the condition amount itself and the satisfaction of specific conditions corresponding to character identification information and attack content identification information.

The Office Action further asserts at page 7 that Applicants have not "specifically disclosed within the Specification the content of a predetermined condition."

Applicants respectfully assert such a specific disclosure is not required where one of ordinary skill in the art would readily appreciate the scope of the term "predetermined condition."

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-4 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over Hara and the allowance of these claims.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance. If a telephone conversation with Applicants'

representatives would be helpful to resolve any further issues and/or expedite further prosecution of the application, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Fee Authorization

Applicants believe that no fees are due for the submission of this Response. If additional fees are required, the Director is authorized to charge any fees associated with this submission to our Deposit Account, No. 04-1105, Reference 86293(308246). Any overpayment should be credited to said Deposit Account.

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